

12-1-1974

## Memo about PDX planning

Ernest Bonner

Let us know how access to this document benefits you.

Follow this and additional works at: [http://pdxscholar.library.pdx.edu/oscdl\\_bonner](http://pdxscholar.library.pdx.edu/oscdl_bonner)



Part of the [Urban Studies Commons](#), and the [Urban Studies and Planning Commons](#)

---

### Recommended Citation

Bonner, Ernest, "Memo about PDX planning" (1974). *Ernie Bonner Collection*. Paper 43.  
[http://pdxscholar.library.pdx.edu/oscdl\\_bonner/43](http://pdxscholar.library.pdx.edu/oscdl_bonner/43)

This Memo is brought to you for free and open access. It has been accepted for inclusion in Ernie Bonner Collection by an authorized administrator of PDXScholar. For more information, please contact [pdxscholar@pdx.edu](mailto:pdxscholar@pdx.edu).

MEMO

Dec. 1974

TO: Gary Stort  
FROM: E. Bunker  
SUBJ: Priorities

I have outlined in the following page what I think are possible high-priority accomplishments within the next 18 months. In compiling this list, I have referred to the community development strategy for overall organization and to Bill Scott's list for projects.

Much of what we proposed for high priority is on Bill's list. But there are some on Bill's we did not have. I have attached Bill's list with an indication (box) that the item was not included in the following pages. Mostly I did that when responsibility was assigned outside OPD.

I also set up columns in order to permit responsibility and time objectives to be assigned to each. ~~Bill's~~ I have then entered in my judgments on these two matters — in pencil.

I have also tried to be more complete than Bill's list of one-liners. From here I guess we can discuss and then get back to Bill.

FORMAT \*

Program or Activity	Responsible office or Bureau	Staff Assigned	Projected Time of Completion
---------------------	------------------------------------	-------------------	------------------------------------

● Programs designed to . . . . .

. . . . .

I. Northwest District

A.

B.

⋮

E.

11"

8½"

\* Leave 3 columns on right blank for now.

Programs designed to preserve and enhance the residential neighborhoods of the City  
~~Programs designed to preserve and enhance the residential neighborhoods of the City~~

#### I. Northwest District

- A. Policies Plan adopted by Council
- B. Rezoning adopted by Council
- C. HCD program adopted — at least one project well on way
- D. Private rehab efforts — compile & publicize
- E. Housing development — Marvitt Gardens and Foxstry site.

#### II. Corbett-Terwilliger-Lair Hill

- A. Policies Plan adopted by Council
- B. Re-zoning or special development regulations adopted by Council
- C. HCD (or tax-increment) program adopted — at least one project well underway or complete.

#### III. Marquam Hill

- A. Policies Plan adopted by Council
- B. Keller donation of land — ~~Marquam Hill~~  
~~Marquam Hill~~

#### IV. Union Avenue Redevelopment

- A. Plan adopted by Council
- B. Package of programs (LEAA, HUD, EDA, SBA) adopted by Council
- C. Street Lighting program.

(?)

#### V. Buckman, Sunnyside, Richmond, Horford-Alameda

- A. HCD program for Buckman adopted by Council — at least one project underway or completed.
- B. Draft Policies Plan for all four neighborhoods
- C. HCD program for all four neighborhoods — for second year funding
- D. Beginning stages of policies planning for ~~other~~ other neighborhoods in Southeast Coalition.

#### VI. Mt. Hood Corridor — Willamette to 82<sup>nd</sup> (I-205)

- A. HCD program for second year funding
- B. Program for state disposition of state-owned properties — agreed to by Transportation Commission
- C. Relatively detailed improvements program for Powell Blvd, ready for corridor hearings by State.

#### VII. North Portland Peninsula (Including St. Johns)

- A. HCD program adopted by Council — at least one project underway or completed.
- B. Draft policies plan completed — including policies for No. Portland landfill, Smith Bybee Lakes, and Port Development Policy.
- C. Annexation of Rivergate completed.
- D. Draft development policies plan for Columbia South Shore — Kelly Point to I-205.

### VIII. Arterial Streets Plan : Policies

- A. Plan & Policies adopted by Commission & Council
- B. Priority improvement schedule adopted by Council and forwarded to CBAG.

### IX. Capital Improvement Program

- A. A high-priority list of relatively-inexpensive capital improvements requested by neighborhoods completed.



1. Traffic signals

~~2. School of community centers~~

2. Park development

3.

- B. A concentration of improvements in a given area by a variety of bureaus to demonstrate capacity for coordinated, concentrated action.

X. Package of transit investments to be made with Mt. Hood transfer or substitution funds.

A. Complete City's responsibilities for ~~that~~ our portion of the CRAG transportation work program.

B. Environmental assessment and draft E.I.S. for projects to be funded w/ transfer — including mode and corridor studies. City will have some staff responsibility and will have representative on Transportation Committee.

XI. Energy Conservation Program(?)

XII. West Portland Park 'n Ride

- Programs designed to create and maintain a growing inventory of safe and sanitary housing units at prices and rents all households can afford.

I. Foster Hotel Renovation completed.

II. Changes in State Legislation

- A. Bill designed to provide incentives for rehabilitation of existing single-family homes and apartments, passed by State Legislature
- B. Bill designed to change narrow focus of state housing bond issue funds.

III. Program to rehabilitate two "blocks" of Sec. 13 structures in west side of downtown.

- A. Program prepared as proposal for HCD funding
- B. Funding approved by Council
- C. Initiation of project by PDC — at least one structure completed and occupied.

IV. Program of Housing Assistance throughout City

- A. Housing assistance programs in concentrated neighborhoods adopted by Council
- B. Completion of rehabilitation program in at least one block of each concentrated neighborhood.
- C. Completion of Woodlawn housing program.



- Programs designed to sustain and improve the <sup>important</sup> existing commercial and industrial areas of the City

## I. A program to improve an existing industrial district (NINA)

A. Rebuild N.W. Front Avenue

B. Extension of water main down St. Helens Rd.

~~at Intersection~~

C. Signal : traffic improvements

D. etc.

Note: Most has already been proposed. Packaging and some attention to implementation would accomplish much in next year.

## II. A program to improve the Downtown

A. Transit Mall

1. Complete final engineering and approve
2. Initiate construction in phases

B. Meier : Frank Park Block

1. Secure BOR approval
2. Approve source of local funds
3. Complete final design
4. Initiate construction

C. Blue Mouse Parking Garage

1. Expedite final bldg. permit process
2. ?

#### D. First Phase of Waterfront Plan

1. Approve first-phase plan : budget
2. Prepare working drawings : specs.
3. Contract and initiate construction

Note: This process must be studied in more detail to insure that something will actually be built by ~~Spring~~ Spring or Summer of 1976.

#### E. Waterfront Urban Renewal Plan

1. Adopt plan and budget
2. First phase effort in Historic Districts.
3. First phase effort in Housing rehab.

~~Not to be discussed at this time~~

■ Programs designed to maintain the City of Portland as a viable center in the region.

I. A program to annex the Capital Highway Water District

A. Adoption of Council policy on extension of water & sewer

B. State Health Dept. inspection of area

C. Cost-benefit analysis of annexing

D. Petition to Boundary Commission

E. Campaign to sell benefits of City ~~of~~ Presidency.